

ASSOCIATION LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM COMMITTEE - MARCH 1980

ACTION LEVEL I: (various actions)

- Energy Mobilization Board (EMB) - "fast track" (S1308)
 - AAUW supports cutting red-tape and procedural changes
 - AAUW opposes substantive waivers (cf. environment)
- Food Stamps (S1309)
 - AAUW supports supplement appropriations (otherwise money runs out in June 1980) - eliminate spending cap
- Insurance Discrimination (Hatfield Bill)
 - AAUW supports removal of sex as a classification for premiums and awards
- Marriage Tax Bill (HR 3069 - Fenbrick / S336 - Machias et al.)
 - AAUW wishes to eliminate tax on two-earner families who now pay more if one spouse earns 20% more than the other
- Domestic Violence
 - see earlier ALFC materials & Legislative lookout
 - House has passed - needs to pass in Senate
- Fair Housing (HR 5200 / 5506)
 - AAUW supports legislation to end discrimination (on race, sex, or disabled) in housing
 - will support with or without the di Concini amendment for an Administrative Judge

LEVEL II: (get information prepared & distributed, ready for action)

- Social Security (currently being re-written)
 - AAUW supports removal of gender-based discrimination
 - package of 6 bills coming from Rose Mary Oakar
- "Former Spouses Retirement" (Amended Foreign Service Act) (HR 6790)
 - AAUW supports retirement benefits to spouses of deceased military personnel (Pat Schroeder)
 - AAUW will deal only with that provision in the act
- Public Financing of Campaigns (S832)
 - AAUW supports placing a limitation on spending by Political Action Committees (PAC's)
 - AAUW will work in coalition to break filibuster so that the bill can reach the Senate floor

LEVEL III: (watch and monitor for shift to higher levels when appropriate)

- Displaced Homemakers via CETA
- Title IX
- FCC/Broadcasting
- U.N. Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against women (December 1979)
- 3 ~~For~~ U.N. Human Rights Treaties (see Nov. 1979 AAUW testimony) *& org. of Am. State*
- SALT II (see AAUW testimony)
- Hospital Cost Containment
- Arts/Humanities Funding
- Foreign Aid Authorization/Foreign Aid Appropriations
- various Grain Reserve bills
- Northwest Energy Bill (action delegated to ALFC chair et al.)

Removed from September 1979 Levels

- Department of Education (accomplished)
- Day Care (nothing moving through Congress)
- Mass Transit (nothing moving through Congress)